



2021 WINEMAKER'S SERIES WHOLE CLUSTER PINOT NOIR

SRP: \$50 | 200 CASES PRODUCED

LIGHT
CHERRY
DRIED HERBS

APPELLATION

Dundee Hills | Willamette Valley

VINEYARD COMPOSITION

Sourced entirely from the Stoller Estate vineyard.

VARIETAL COMPOSITION

100% Pinot Noir

ÉLEVAGE

About 90% of this wine was fermented in stainless steel to preserve a lighter body and bright fruit characteristics. The remaining 10% was aged in natural oak barrels.

HARVEST

September 2021

BOTTLING

August 2022

ALCOHOL | pH

13.5% | 3.57



TASTING NOTES FROM WINEMAKER, KATE PAYNE BROWN

This wine was whole cluster fermented with minimal extraction, resulting in a bright and intricate Pinot Noir. Brimming with red confectionery cherries and subtle undertones of dried herbs, this wine is a lighter body but still very present with finer grippy tannins and silky satin finish. What is great about a whole cluster Pinot Noir like this is that there is no patience required to cellar it, this bottle is delicious when enjoyed young.

VINTAGE OVERVIEW

The 2021 growing season was warmer than average in the Willamette Valley, producing beautifully ripe fruit with vibrant flavors. A dry spring led to lingering rain showers during bloom, which reduced the yield in some blocks. Then, an abnormal heatwave spread across the valley, with temperatures reaching as high as 115 degrees Fahrenheit. Fortunately, the fruit prospered as high temperatures occurred between bloom and véraison when berries were hard and less sensitive to damage. Temperatures tapered off prior to harvest, with warm days and cool nights, which allowed the fruit to ripen at an even and slower pace. Quick yet seemingly smooth, harvest started on August 21 with little to no breaks until we finished on September 26. The resulting wines are balanced with focused flavors, stunning fruit, gorgeous vibrancy, and incredible aging potential.



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